U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERC Application Number REQUEST 09/875,197 **FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)** TRANSMITTAL Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. §132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA). Filing Date June 7, 2001 First Named Inventor Joon-Young YA Group Art Unit 2814 **Examiner Name** Shrinivas H. RAO Attorney Docket No. 8733.132.20 This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice. 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R § 1.114 Previously submitted i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered.) ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on ii. ☐ Other iii. b. × **Enclosed** ■Amendment/Reply i. ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) ☐ Other: iv. 2. Miscellaneous Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of __ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required.) b. Other 3. (The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when the RCE is filed.) Fees The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-0911. i. ■RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) □Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) ii. iii. ☐ Other: b. × Check in the amount of \$750.00 enclosed Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed) c.

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